

SENATE BILL 1496

By Southerland

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section  
40-35-302, relative to probation.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-35-302, is amended by deleting subdivision (f)(2) and substituting instead the following:

(2) When a person employed to provide probation services to defendants convicted of a misdemeanor, whether employed by a municipality, county, public or a private probation company, is first assigned a new probationer, the person shall conduct a search of the Tennessee bureau of investigation's sexual offender and violent sexual offender registration, verification and tracking database to determine if the probationer is a sexual offender or violent sexual offender. If so, the probation officer shall inform the sentencing judge of the probationer's status, if the status is not already known. If the probationer remains on probation, the officer shall also monitor the probationer's compliance with the requirements of § 40-39-211.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.